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For: METHODS FOR USING
CO-REGULATED GENESETS TO
ENHANCE DETECTION AND
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EXPRESSION PATTERNS

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 14, 2001 in connection with the above-identified patent application and in accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (1) Exhibit A: marked version of the amended claims; (2) Exhibit B: clean version of the pending claims, as amended; (3) a Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) for a period of three months from May 14, 2001 up to and including August 14, 2001, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and (4) an Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate) accompanied by the appropriate fee.

IN THE CLAIMS:

A marked up version of the claims showing the amendments is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Matter that has been deleted from claims 58-61, 63-64, and 70-76 is indicated by brackets and matter that has been added is indicated by underlining. A clean version of the pending claims, as amended, is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 1-57 and 67-69, without prejudice.